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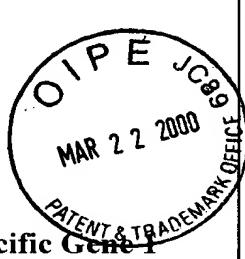
In re application of:

Ji *et al.*

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For: **Breast Cancer Specific Gene**



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Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 22, 1999, Applicants submit the following
Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows.

In claim 77, line 5, please delete "18" and insert therein --12--.